

Holy Lord, creator of the universe, giver of all good things, we come to you on our knees in prayer. We are sinful people who desperately need You, Father; please invade our space, our lives our very souls, and fill us with Your Holy Spirit.

We thank you for all the gifts You have poured down upon us. We ask You to guide our steps, bridle our tongues, help us to encourage others, and keep us focused on You and Your Word.

God, help us to use our resources for Your purpose. Use us as Your arms and feet and help us to bless all those around us.

Father we place our nation in Your hands. Remind us that You have everything under control. Increase our faith and trust in You.

In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, Savior and King!

Amen



MITE UPDATE

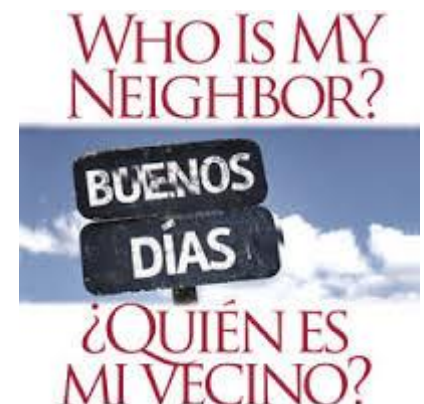
As of August 2016 mite collections has reached over \$6,600. Our goal is \$76,500. Please send in mites on a regular basis and remember to use the updated remittance form that can be found on the ADLWML.org website.

Grant Highlight of the Month

**Reaching our Hispanic Neighbors
Lutheran Church of St. John the Evangelist;
Brooklyn, NY**

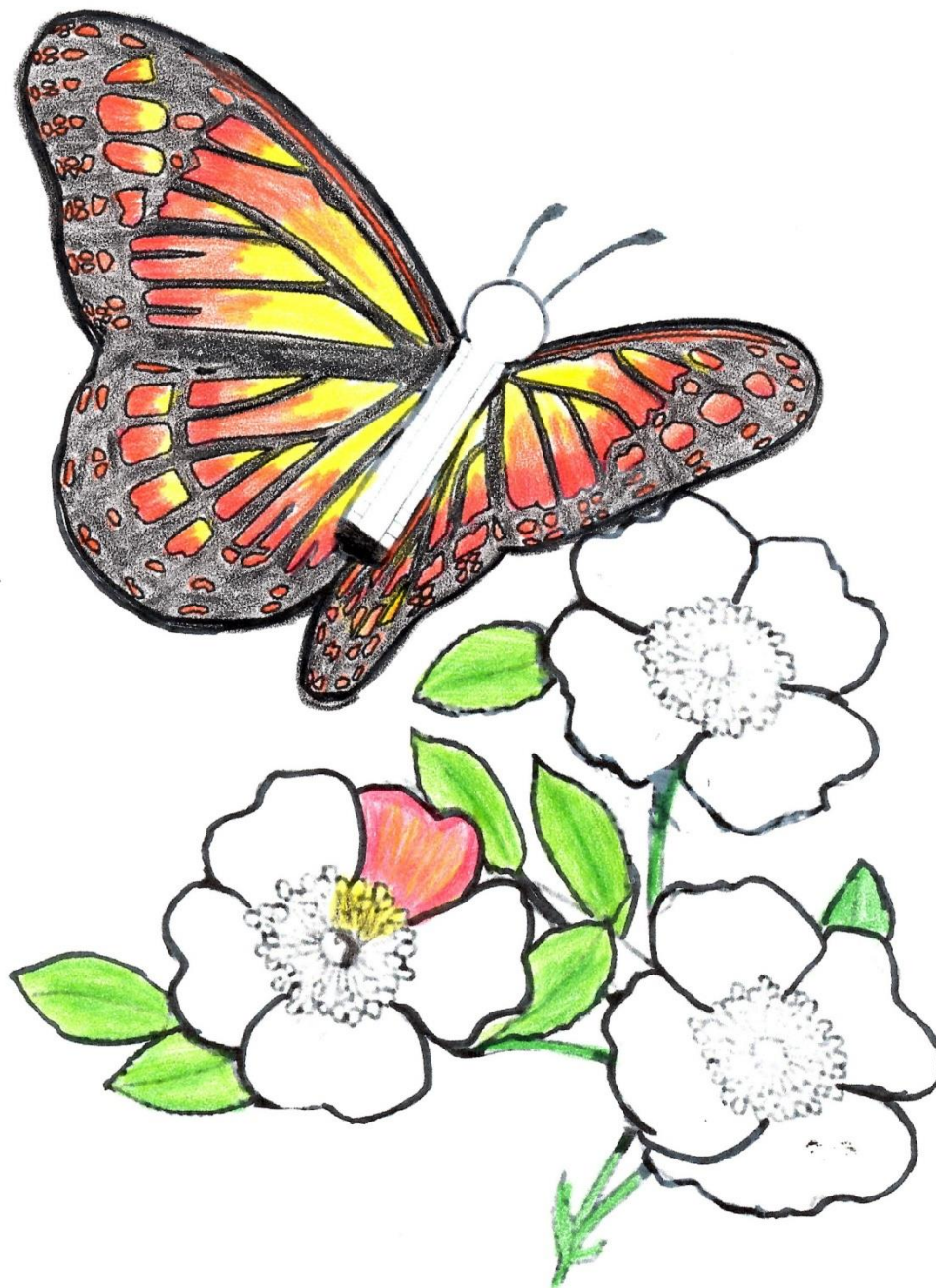
\$630

Our church is located in a portion of Williamsburg, Brooklyn, which is 40 percent Hispanic. Spanish is the first language in approximately 20 percent of homes in our neighborhood, so there is a tremendous opportunity to spread the Good News of Jesus to a huge segment of our community through a Spanish-language worship service. Our pastor, as well as some musicians and members, speak Spanish, allowing us to conduct a competent and meaningful service. This grant will be used to purchase promotional materials, Spanish-language Bible studies, an LCD projector for viewing Bible study DVDs, and literature and resource identification related to domestic violence, which is pervasive in the Hispanic community



ATLANTIC DISTRICT LWML MISSION GRANTS 2016-2018

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| 1. From Mourning Glory to Morning Glory: Rescuing Women with the Gospel;
Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church; Bronx, NY | \$4,000 | PAID |
| 2. VBS for Deaf Children;
Lutheran Friends of the Deaf; Mill Neck, NY | \$4,500 | |
| 3. Risen Christ Women Sewing Ministry;
The Lutheran Church of the Risen Christ; Brooklyn, NY | \$1,500 | |
| 4. Grace Lutheran Pantry;
Grace Lutheran Church, Queens Village, NY | \$5,000 | |
| 5. Reaching our Hispanic Neighbors;
Lutheran Church of St. John the Evangelist; Brooklyn, NY..... | \$630 | |
| 6. Sharing God's Word through Service;
The Chapel School; Bronxville, NY | \$3,000 | |
| 7. Mission Outreach to Street Children in New Amsterdam, Guyana;
St. Matthews' Lutheran Church; Brooklyn, NY | \$3,000 | |
| 8. Long Island Deaf Missions;
Lutheran Friends of the Deaf; Mill Neck, NY | \$5,000 | |
| 9. Trinity Food Pantry;
Trinity Lutheran Church; Islip, NY | \$4,500 | |
| 10. Operation Barnabas for Comfort Dog Congregations;
Lutheran Church Missouri Synod; St. Louis MO..... | \$2,000 | |
| 11. Concordia Seminary Food Bank;
St. Louis, MO | \$5,000 | |
| 12. Free Medical Check-up Camps & Eye Screening Camps in Rural parts of India;
Lutheran Hour Ministries; St. Louis, MO..... | \$5,000 | |
| 13. La Vida Nica;
The Life Lutheran Church; Westbury, NY..... | \$2,770 | |



**MISSION GRANT #1 IS FUNDED!!!
MAKE SURE YOU COLOR A PETAL ON A FLOWER!**

This picture can be used to track the receipt of mites for the 2016-2018 biennium. For each \$4,250 collected, a section of the butterfly's thermometer body can be colored in. There are 13 petals on the three flowers representing one of the mission grants. As each mission grant obligation is fulfilled, another petal can be colored. Enjoy!



SHORT-TERM MISSION TRIP GRANT FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE!!!

Have you ever dreamed of going on a Mission Trip? The AD LWML has approved funds to be used to support short-term mission trips. Take some time and review the instruction form and application that are available at www.ADLWML.org for further information.

GIFTS OF LOVE MATCHING GRANT CHALLENGE A message from President Patti

LWML has received a \$25,000 matching grant for donations received for the Gifts of Love ministry. . Will you please consider making a gift to Help | Love | Grow? You will be doubling your dollars -- and the future impact -- through the Gifts of Love ministry. Please pray about this opportunity and seek God's will for you concerning this Matching Gift Fund Challenge.

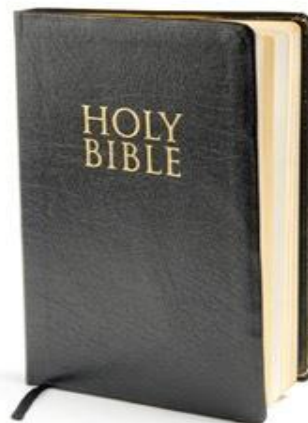


This matching grant will continue through December 2016. A gift in any amount is a blessing! Additional information about our Gifts of Love ministry and Help | Love | Grow can be found on page two of the pledge form or you can visit the [LWML Planned Giving website](#).

Thank you for your consideration of this request and for your prayerful response.

Psalm 27

*The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?
When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh, my adversaries and foes,
it is they who stumble and fall.
Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;
though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.
One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the
house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord
and to inquire in his temple.
For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under
the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.
And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will
offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy;
I will sing and make melody to the Lord.
Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and answer me!
You have said, "Seek my face." My heart says to you,
"Your face, Lord, do I seek."
Hide not your face from me. Turn not your servant away in anger,
O you who have been my help.
Cast me not off; forsake me not, O God of my salvation!
For my father and my mother have forsaken me, but the Lord will take me in.
Teach me your way, O Lord, and
lead me on a level path because of my enemies.
Give me not up to the will of my adversaries; for false witnesses have risen
against me, and they breathe out
violence.
I believe that I shall look upon the
goodness of the Lord in the land of the
living!
Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let
your heart take courage; wait for the
Lord!*



Let the
Word of God
Transform
You.

Let's go for a walk!

Who's up for a challenge? We are planning to arrange an AD LWML 5K walk-a-thon. Zones will be able to walk within their own community or join with other zones for greater fellowship.

Let's plan on doing it this Spring of 2017.

Please contact Linda Guteres
with your willingness to participate.



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We can all use a laugh!



TWO LITTLE OLD LADIES

They Were Attending A Rather Long Church Service.
One Leaned Over And Whispered, "My Butt Is Going To Sleep."
"I Know," Replied Her Companion,
"I Heard It Snore Three Times."

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